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: OPTICAL DIFFUSING

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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## Dear Sir:

This is in response to the communication from the Examiner mailed March 19, 2003. In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the communication, Applicant elects to prosecute Group I, Claims 3-6 and 10, drawn to an optical diffusing plate. Claim 1 is generic. Although this election is made without traverse, if a generic claim (currently Claim 1) is held allowed, a non-Applicant is entitled to have an elected invention rejoined.

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application as follows:

## SPECIFICATION:

Please amend Formula 5 on page 30 as follows: